



**Written Testimony of
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Good Afternoon Senator Gomes, Representative Tercyak, Senator Hwang and Representative Rutigliano and members of the Labor and Public Employees Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with testimony regarding **Senate Bill No. 106 AAC Retaliation against Immigrant Workers**. My name is Sharon Palmer and I am the Commissioner of the Department of Labor.

Protection of immigrants from discrimination and retaliation is a concept worthy of consideration. However, it would be a new program for the Department and there are no appropriations in the budget for a new program such as this.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.